GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:860
ANSWERED ON:22.11.2007
ECO- TOURISM
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has initiated any steps to explore and boost the eco- tourism potential of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to exploit such tourist potentials along with budget allocations made for the purpose for each State during the last three years, till date?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SMT. AMBIKA SONI)

(a), (b) and (c): The Ministry of Tourism extends Central Financial Assistance (CFA) to the State Governments/Union Territories for development of tourism circuits/destinations including Eco-Tourism sites under the Scheme of Product/Infrastructure Development for Destinations and Circuits.

The Central Financial Assistance (CFA) provided to State Governments/UT Administrations for development of Eco-Tourism in the last three years till date is at Annexure.

ANNEXURE

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a), (b) AND (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.860 ANSWERED ON 22.11.2007 REGARDING ECO-TOURISM.

Central Financial Assistance provided to State Governments/ UT Administrations in last three years till date for development of Eco-tourism.

(Rs.in lakh)

STATE	Sl. No.	Name of the Project	Year of Sanction	Amount Sanctioned	Amount Released
1. Andhra Pradesh	1	Development of Bhavani Island, Krishna Distt.	2004-05	500.00	400.00
	2	Development of Laknavaran Lake as Eco-tourism destination in Warangal Distt.	2006-07	468.63	337.90
2. Arunachal	3.	Eco-tourism Project in Arunachal Pradesh	2004-05	83.29	83.29
3. Assam	4.	Development of Heritage and Eco-tourism Resort at Majuli	2002-03	382.25	325.21
	5.	Integrated development of Tourist Complex at Agartoli Range, Kaziranga	2003-04	158.00	158.00
	6.	Eco-tourism development at Kokrajhar	2005-06	460.00	368.00
	7.	Circuit development of Manas-Guwahati-Kaziranga	2005-06	781.00	624.80
	8.	Development of Eco-tourism at Haflong	2007-08	63.47	50.77
4. Bihar	9.	Eco-tourism development at Bhimband (Munger)	2004-05	427.07	313.12
	10.	Eco-tourism development of Balmiki Nagar (West Champaran)	2004-05	300.06	240.00
5. Chhattisgarh	11.	Development of Eco-tourism Circuit in Chhattisgarh State	2004-05	648.35	518.68
6. Karnataka	12.	Development of Chickmagalore Wilderness	2004-05	202.48	161.98
	13.	Expansion of eco-tourism activity-feasibility report	2004-05	15.00	7.50
	14.	Development of Wilderness Tourism Circuit	2006-07	226.88	204.20
	15.	Destination development of Bandipur Tiger Reserve	2004-05	195.70	156.56
	16.	IT Infrastructure for Eco-tourism by M/s. Jungle Lodges and Resorts	2005-06	53.29	26.64

	17. Bijapur- Bidar-Gulbarga Circuit	2007-08	640.97	512.78
7. Kerala	18. Development of Elephant Park at Punnathur Kotta, Guruvaur, Distt. Thrissur	2005-06	349.50	279.80
	19. Development of Ranipuram as Eco-tourism Destination	2006-07	357.01	285.60
8. Manipur	20. Development of Eco-tourism Park at Imphal	2006-07	345.29	172.64
9. Madhya Pradesh	21. Development of Panna as Tourist Destination	2006-07	421.66	337.00
10.Pondicherry	22. Development of Bharti Park	2003-04	245.17	196.13
11.Nagaland	23. Eco-tourism Centre Phiphema	2004-05	351.00	351.00
12.Orissa	24. Development of Eco-tourism at Bhitarkanika	2006-07	383.22	191.61
	25. Development of Simlipal, Distt. Maurbhanj	2006-07	297.12	237.70
13.Sikkim	26. Construction of Indian Himalayan Centre for Adventure and Eco-Tourism at Chemchi	2007-08	389.54	311.63
14.Tamil Nadu	27. Integrated development of Eco-tourism at Point Calimere Wildlife Sanctuary, Muthupet	2004-05	368.00	294.40
15.Uttaranchal	28. Development of rural tourism (Eco-tourism) in Devriyatal at Village Sari	2005-06	45.14	36.00
	29. Development of Corbett National Park as a Tourist Circuit	2007-08	602.00	481.60
16.Uttar Pradesh	30. Destination development in Dudhwa National Park	2005-06	312.60	250.08
	31. Development of Katerniaghat Park Wildlife Sanctuary in Distt. Baharaich	2005-06	105.00	84.00